

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Sunday Morning Service

- Song Leader Philip Steele
- Scripture Reading Kelly Knepley
- Opening Prayer Kelly Knepley
- Lord's Supper Tom Haddox
- Closing Prayer Luke Collinsworth
- Closing Prayer Jim Tobias

Sunday Evening Service

- Song Leader Akel Marshall
- Opening Prayer Tom Haddox
- Closing Prayer Luke Collinsworth

Wednesday Evening Service – February 6th

- Song Leader Akel Marshall
- Opening Prayer Luke Collinsworth
- Closing Prayer Philip Steele

Today's Sermons:

AM – A Declaration of Dependence

Scripture Reading: [Philippians 2:3-4](#)

PM – I Am A Saint!

Wednesday Adult Class Study: [1st Samuel](#)

“Let Brotherly Love Continue”

Hebrew 13:1

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SERVICES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday



SEARCH
OF THE LORD'S WAY

Local Cable 18

@ 7:00 AM and 4:30 PM

Bible Class	9:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Class	6:30 PM
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February 3, 2013

Life-Saving Teamwork

By Ron Hutchcraft

There are few moments in American history that are more indelibly etched in our memories than the explosion at the Federal Office Building in Oklahoma City in April of 1995. We've all got mental images of the twisted rubble, the terror and grief on victim's faces, and the heroic efforts of the rescuers to get into that building and save the survivors. There were also heroes behind the scenes as well. For example, there was a convention of restaurateurs taking place in a downtown hotel that day. Like so many people in Oklahoma City that day, as soon as they heard about the explosion and the rescue efforts, their plans changed. Suddenly, they set aside their convention schedule and commandeered the hotel kitchen - and dedicated themselves to supplying meals to the rescuers so the rescue work could continue uninterrupted.

When there's a life-or-death rescue situation, it's that kind of teamwork that saves lives - the rescuers on the front lines and the people who keep them on the front lines by caring for their needs. That is, in fact, exactly the same kind of teamwork that is so desperately needed in the greatest rescue mission in history - rescuing spiritually dying people by getting the Good News about Jesus to them. People will die without Christ unless both parts of the team do whatever it takes - the front lines rescuers and the people whose support keeps them on the front lines.

There's a picture of this in [Nehemiah 4:16](#). God has raised up Nehemiah to lead the rebuilding of His holy city, Jerusalem - and, in so doing, to restore God's central place in the lives of His people. They are surrounded by enemies who are closing in on their efforts and threatening to stop them.

So, "from that day on, half of my men did the work, while the other half were equipped with spears, shields, bows and armor...Those who carried materials did their work with one hand and held a weapon in the other, and each of the builders wore his sword at his side as he worked." Amazingly, God's mission was accomplished in 52 days - because everyone had a significant share in the mission. Just like that desperate day in Oklahoma City, you were either a rescuer or someone who served the rescuers. In Nehemiah's Project Jerusalem, if those who kept supplying the materials didn't do their job, the people building the wall couldn't do theirs. They could have never finished the wall as they did if they had to keep coming down for what they needed.

God has made each of us who know Him both rescuers and the enablers of rescuers. There are some lost people God has positioned you to help go to Heaven. And He has given you resources to enable some of those He's called to put their whole life into His rescue mission. According to [Philippians 4:17](#), when you give to keep them on the front lines, their fruit will be "credited to your account" in Heaven.



There is a rescue emergency. Lives are at stake. And they can only be rescued by that life-saving teamwork, where everyone has a significant share in the mission. Wherever God has placed you, do all you can as if it's life-or-death. It is.

Upcoming Dates to Note:

- **Ladies' Class** – February 5th @ 10:00 AM
- **Potluck** – February 10th, immediately following AM service.
- **Monthly Men's Meeting** – immediately after Potluck.
- **Men's Breakfast** – Saturday, February 16th @ 7:30 AM at Big Boy's followed by Bible Study in the fellowship hall.

Attendance:

Sunday Bible Study (01/27) – 20
Sunday Morning Service (01/27) – 29
Sunday Evening Service (01/27) – 11
Wednesday (01/30) – 21

Statistics:

Contribution Last Week (01/27) - \$1109
Average Contribution (per week, up to 01/27) – \$1015
2013 Weekly Contribution Goal – **\$1015**

Remembrance in prayer:

- **In Search of the Lord's Way** local TV broadcast
- **Mitchell Morris** – (nephew of Amy Knepley)
- **Celeste Stone** – (friend of Carl's)
- **Phyllis Darling** – on-going struggle with dementia
- **Ron Hollandsworth** – (Tom's father)
- **Doug Marshall** – therapy to recover from a stroke
- **Steve Dorr** – back problems
- **Jamie Valen** – (friend of Mary's) cancer
- **Christopher Zangara**
- **God's Blessing Upon This Congregation**



Project Blessing!

Remember, everytime something good happens, make a note of it, and place it in the jar you were given at the beginning of the year. Then, on New Years Eve, empty it and reminisce on all the blessings you had that year. Good way to keep things in perspective!